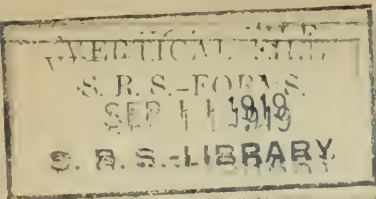


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Professor O. B. Martin was quoted by William Harper Dean in January, 1916 as stating that

"The Home Demonstration Work has been the means of bringing together people who had been separated by community jealousies and feuds. It has shown public spirited business men and women how to stimulate self-help. That certainly is the wisest form of philanthropy.

"It is not difficult to see the ultimate object and aim of the work which is now being done by the four hundred women county agents in the Southern States. Doubtless everyone has an ideal in her mind of the home healthful, the home efficient, the home beautiful. These ladies are now being called upon for advice in home equipment and home building. It is a matter of a very short while until they will be called upon for advice in everything that tends to make a comfortable and artistic home, just as the men county agents are called upon in all problems pertaining to the business of the farm itself."

The stamp of "First Aid" is placed on the established fact of this predicted truth in August, 1919, when Professor Martin shows conclusively that the "four hundred have become more than a thousand women agents all working effectively along the very lines indicated."

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COUNTY AGENT AND HOME DEMONSTRATION MEETINGS ETC.
COLLEGE SHORT COURSES AND FAIRS.

ALABAMA

On August 11th to 16th an Agents' meeting will be held at Auburn.

There will also be held a State Short Course for Club boys at Auburn from August 11 to 16th. Dr. Bradford Knapp is urged to attend and make an address on the 13th.

Miss Wessling, of the Home Demonstration Work, will be present at the Auburn Course and contribute much to the interest of the work.

At the Polytechnic Institute at Auburn, August 2nd to 9th, the Alabama Housewives' State Short Course will be held. The Farmers' Summer School and Home Demonstration Department of the Extension Service will cooperate.

Miss Ola Powell will hold demonstrations in preserving and pickling at this short course on August 5th and 6th. These demonstrations will do much towards the instruction and welfare of the women and girls of the South.

The Farm Club boys of Montgomery county have been commended for their fine work and a large number will be rewarded at Auburn, at the State Boys' Club Short Course.

Attention is still called to the Alabama State Fair to be held at Birmingham October 6th to 11th.

A boys' encampment of 100 to 135 boys will be held at the same time to select the boys to attend the Non-Collegiate Judging contest taking place in Chicago November 27th to December 5th.

ARKANSAS

Dr. Bradford Knapp and Mr. W. B. Mercier will be present at the State meeting of the County Agents at Fayetteville the week of August 19th.

August 6th is the last day of the State Farmers' Union held for three days at Little Rock.

Dr. J. A. Evans has been called to Arkansas to attend a conference of Extension workers to be held at Heber Springs, the date to be determined after his arrival.

Notice has already been given of a boys' and girls' short course to be held at Magnolia from August 4th to 9th.

The Southeast district courses will be held at Monticello from August 11th to 15th. The Northeast district courses will be held at Jonesboro from August 18th to 22nd.

An Agricultural Fair and Exposition will be held at Fort Smith from September 29th to October 4th.

DISTRICT of COLUMBIA

The annual meeting of the State Boys' club agents from all Southern states will be held here in Washington during the week of December 8th.

The National Board of Farm Organizations will hold their next semi-annual convention in the temporary Farm Headquarters in Washington September 16th and 17th. This residence will be used until the occupation of the permanent Temple of Agriculture. John McSparren is treasurer of this fund.

DISTRICT of COLUMBIA Cont'd.

The railroads throughout the United States have granted what amounts to half fare for all exhibits of horses, cattle, sheep and hogs for expositions and fairs. This ruling became effective on May 15th and the exact reading was that when the exhibit is returned direct to point of origin there will be full tariff rates going and free rates returning.

Charles S. Barrett, of the National Farmers' Union, has stated he will retire at the expiration of his present term, November next.

Investigations are being made by the Department as to the ways of making certain sulphuric acids for aiding the chemical industries.

The 20th Anniversary of the International Livestock exposition will be held in Chicago, November 27th to December 6th. Among the new features added, a Nationwide Non-Collegiate Livestock judging contest composed of champion teams from various states has been staged.

Through the Chicago Board of Trade an International Grain and Hay Show will be introduced at the 20th Annual International Livestock Exposition.

Notice should be taken of the National Dairy Association which will be held at the International Amphitheatre in Chicago from October 6th to 12th inclusive.

Notice is also given of the 14th Annual Farm Congress of Kansas City, Missouri, from September 25th to 28th.

The National Swine Show for 1919 will be held in Des Moines from September 29th to October 4th.

FLORIDA

A letter from Gainesville announces the State Boys' Club agents' meeting to be held during the week beginning December 8th.

The Florida Home Demonstration Agents' meeting will take place at Tallahassee September 2nd to 12th.

The first prize winner in the State Pig Club contest and the State Beef Calf Club contest will each be awarded \$250 with which to pay their expenses at the State College of Agriculture for one year. The second prize winner in each of these clubs will receive a trip with all expenses paid to the International Livestock Exposition at Chicago, and a packing company has secured \$300 to be evenly divided between the two 2nd prize winners to be presented as they leave for the exposition.

Funds have been set aside by the Lee County Commissioners to pay the expenses of three boys at the Boys' Short Course which will be held each year at the College of Agriculture.

GEORGIA

The Boys' Short Course will be held at the College of Agriculture, Athens, August 6th to 15th.

Miss Creswell will hold a district meeting at Young Harris about August 18th.

The Georgia State Horticultural Society will meet in Cornelia August 20 to 21.

A Georgia Land Clearing special train will be run by the State College of Agriculture from Cordele on August 2nd and will travel 600 miles, paying a two days visit to 20 towns in the interest of land clearing.



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GEORGIA. Cont'd.

The Southeastern Fair Association will be held at Atlanta from October 13 to 18. R. M. Stripling is secretary.

The State Fair will be held at Macon from October 22 to 31st.

The Georgia-Florida Fair will be held at Valdosta from November 3 to 8th.

KENTUCKY

Kentucky will take a conspicuous place in the Pure Food show held at Cincinnati August 5 to 16.

LOUISIANA

Farmers' week will be held at the Louisiana University, Baton Rouge, from July to August 9. Instructions in the use of the farm tractors will be an interesting feature of this week.

A series of livestock meetings and livestock sales will be held at Baton Rouge by several livestock associations from August 6 to 9. The important question taken up will be the reorganization of the Louisiana Livestock Association which held its first annual meeting in connection with the Southern Cattlemen's Association at Shreveport in 1916.

The Boys' and Girls' Sixth annual short course will be held at the University at Baton Rouge from August 11 to 16th.

The annual meeting of the Farm Demonstration agents will be held at the same time at the University and the men and women agents will attend the boys' and girls' meeting and be in charge of the boys and girls from their respective parishes.

Dr. Bradford Knapp will address these various meetings and Mr. W. B. Mercier of this Office will also be present.

Mention has already been made that Dr. Bradford Knapp has been appointed on the Committee on Stabilizing Production and Prices at the World's Cotton Conference to be held in New Orleans October 13 to 16. He will make an address at this time. Mr. R. MacCol is head of the Committee on arrangements.

A monthly Pig Club contest will be held in this State in September.

A sale of registered beef animals will be held at the Louisiana State University on August 8th.

The Louisiana State Fair will be held at Shreveport from October 22 to 27.

MARYLAND

A Farmers' Picnic will be held at Braddock Heights, Frederick County, on Tuesday, the 19th. Dr. Bradford Knapp is urged to attend and address the assembled multitude.

A farmers' picnic will also be held at McDonough's Institute, La Plata, on August 28th.

Joint meetings of the Maryland Agricultural Society and the Farmers' National Congress will be held at Hagerstown during the week of October 27 to November 1. These meetings will be under the auspices of the Washington County Agricultural Association.

MARYLAND Cont'd

A Fair will be held at Cambridge, Dorchester County, . August 5 to 8.

Fairs will be held at Frederick, Frederick County, from October 21 to 24, and at Pokomoke (Worcester County) and Salisbury (Wicomico County) from August 26 to 29.

MISSISSIPPI

The Annual Short Course for Farm Women and Girls will be held at the A. & M. College from August 6 to 15. At this meeting Miss Powell will give lessons on meat canning and jelly making; Miss Keown, lessons on clothing and textiles, and Mr. Lacy and Dr. Mulford will demonstrate house planning and improvements of the home grounds. Miss Chinn will be present at this meeting from August 11 to 14 and assist in the demonstrations.

The Junior Farm Mechanics Short Course for club boys will be held at the A. & M. College from August 18 to 27. This is a great feature of the regular club short course.

In several counties in Mississippi the county agents have organized a County Cooperative Farmers' Shipping Association or Exchange. A Board of Advisors meets once a month, and "one per cent of the proceeds of livestock shipped and two per cent of other products are set aside in the local bank to constitute the Cooperative Insurance and Operative fund".

The State Fair will be held at Jackson from October 20 to 25.

The Mississippi-Alabama Fair will be held at Meridian from September 29 to October 4.

"Buy a Fence" week will be held in this State from September 8 to 12.

NORTH CAROLINA

A Farmers' and Farm Women's Convention will be held at West Raleigh August 27 to 29. The subject of this meeting is the "Community Uplift".

A Fifth Annual Short Course will be held at West Raleigh August 19 to 22.

Dr. Bradford Knapp is requested to make an address at the annual meeting of the Live Stock Association held at Tarboro August 14th.

The federation of Home Demonstration Clubs will be held at Charlotte August 27th.

The 58th State Fair will be held at Raleigh from October 20 to 25.

A series of Agricultural meetings for negro farmers and their wives will be held over this State during the week of August 25 to 30 inclusive. The Director of the Farmers' Institute Division, Mr. T. B. Parker, will have charge of these meetings. One meeting will be held in each county.

The Boys' State Club Short Course will be held at the North Carolina State College of Agriculture and Engineering from August 20 to 22. The State Agents' meeting will be held at the same time at West Raleigh.

Mr. W. B. Mercier calls to our especial notice that the best breeding association of the whole South was organized by Mr. S. S. Stabler, county agent of Rowan county in this state.

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OKLAHOMA

The Annual Farmers' Congress will meet at Stillwater from August 25 to 30. The Educational meeting will be held at Stillwater August 25th and 26th. Dr. Bradford Knapp is requested to make an address on "Organization Work" and "State Farm Council Organization" at Stillwater during these meetings.

The Oklahoma State Fair and Exposition will be held at Oklahoma City from September 20 to 27.

The Oklahoma Free Fair will be held at Muskogee from September 29 to October 4.

SOUTH CAROLINA

The meeting of the State Agricultural and Mechanical Society will be held at Columbia from October 27 to 31.

Field agent B. B. Hare reports an increase of 4 per cent in corn acreage over last year.

TENNESSEE

The second special short course will continue to be held for Home Demonstration agents at Peabody College, Nashville, until August 22.

500 feeding and stock cattle will be sold at Maryville on October 1st. The cattle belong to the Blount county cattle association and will be sold at auction in carload lots.

The third annual Fat Cattle Show will be held at Nashville on December 10 and 11. \$2500 is being offered in cash premiums.

The Chattanooga Interstate Fair will be held from September 29 to October 4.

The State Fair at Nashville is to be held from September 15 to 20.

The East Tennessee Division Fair will be held at Knoxville from October 6 to 12.

The Memphis Tri-State Fair will be held at Memphis from September 20 to 27.

TEXAS

The Fourth Annual Short Course for Girls and Women will be held at the A. & M. College from August 6 to 15 inclusive. It promises to have a wonderful attendance.

The Texas grain dealers' association is holding a succession of district meetings over this state to discuss local problems regarding the production and handling of wheat and other grain.

Cattle dipping is making a wonderful record in Texas. Dr. John R. Mohler states that 1,000,000 head of cattle were sent through the vats in April and the number promises to increase.

The State Fair will be held at Dallas from October 6 to 19.

The Cotton Palace will be held at Waco from October 25 to November 9.

The Central West Texas Fair will be held at Abilene from September 23 to 27.

Mr. T. O. Walton has been elected Director of Extension for this state.

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VIRGINIA

A State Prize Winners short course will be held at Blacksburg from August 4 to 9. Mr. I. W. Hill will be present.

The State Farmers' Institute will be held at Blacksburg from August 13 to 15. The County Agents will hold their meeting at this time, continuing throughout the week.

The Augusta County Boys' and Girls' Club Encampment was held at Grottoes (Grottoes of the Shenandoah) from July 28 to August 1.

The Farmers' Annual Conference will be held at Hampton from August 5 to 9.

A district club encampment will be held at Emporia from August 12 to 14.

Mr. John R. Hutcheson has been elected to fill the position of Director of Extension at Blacksburg, a vacancy caused by the resignation of Mr. Jesse M. Jones.

On the resignation of Dr. Eggleston, Mr. Julian A. Burruss of Harrisonburg, has been elected to the Presidency of the Virginia Polytechnic Institute.

The Virginia State Fair will be held at Richmond from October 6 to 11.

The Southside Virginia Agricultural and Industrial Exposition will be held at Petersburg from October 14 to 18.

The Warrenton Horse Show will be held at Warrenton, in Fauquier County, on August 20 and 21.

WEST VIRGINIA

A monthly Extension Conference will be held at Morgantown on August 18th. The Randolph County Club Encampment will be held at Elkins from August 25 to 30.

Boys' and Girls' Club Encampments will be held in the following places:

Blue Sulphur, Cabell County, August 4 to 9;

Clarksburg, Harrison County, August 4 to 9;

Minnehaha Springs, Pocahontas County, August 11 to 16;

Hinton, Summers County, August 11 to 16;

Fairmont, Marion County, August 18 to 23;

Point Pleasant, Mason County, August 18 to 25,

Grafton, Taylor County, August 25 to 30.

Some of these camps are ten or twelve miles from the towns and others nearby.

The West Virginia State Fair will be held at Wheeling from September 1 to 5.
